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RECOMMENDATIONS OF EXPENDITURE REFORMS COMMISSION
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Expenditure Reforms Commission has been set up in the Department togive recommendations for reducing the existing wasteful expenditure;

(b) if so, the date on which it was set up and its composition;

(c) the details of recommendations made by the commission;

(d) the details of recommendations which are yet to be implemented alongwith reasons for not implementing them till date; and

(e) the time by which these are likely to be implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY O PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINIS OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a),(b),(c),(d) & (e) The Department of Space has not set up any Expenditure Reforms Commission(ERC).ERC was set up by the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure). ERC reviewed 36 Ministries/Departments, out of total of 70In regard to the remaining Ministries/Departments including the Department of Space, ERC hadsuggested that those Organisations may carry out an in-house review of their functions, activities and structures and suggest suitable downsizing. Accordingly, a Work Study Group has been set up in the Department of Space to address allrelevant issues with regard to quantum of work in Tenth Plan period; quality of manpower; utilisation and deployment of existing staff; their depletion pattern; outsourcing possibilities, etc. A Committee has also been set up for rationalisation and simplification of procedures and systems and work practices. The work of these Committees is in progress. As recommended by ERC, theDepartment has also conducted a peer review of the four autonomous bodies functioning under the Department.